of the fifth section, the words for by the register of the court of chancery;" determined in the affirmative.

On motion, the question was put, will the senate amend the bill by adding at end of the sixth section, the following words within four months next after such appeal shall have been granted or writ of error produced;" determined in the affirmative,

On motion, the question was put, will the senate strike out

the seventh section? determined in the affirmative.

On motion, the question was put, will the senate amend the bill, by striking out the words. "at the term next succeeding the time of such appeal being made or writ of error produced, the fourth and fifth line of the eight section, for the purpose of inserting the words, "within the time aforesaid;" determined in the affirmative.

On motion, the question was put, will the senate strike out the ninth, tenth and eleventh sections? determined in the affirmative.

The bill with the amendments, were then ordered to be engrossed for a third reading

The clerk of the council delivered the following communi-

ention:

In Council, Annapolis, January 20th, 1826.

Sentlemen of the Senate and

of the House of Delegates

In compliance with the request of his excellency the govern nor of the state of Vermont, we herewith transmit for your consideration, a resolution of the legislature of that state, on the subject of the abolition of slavery.

We also, by request of his excellency the governor of Tennessee, lay before you a resolution passed by the general assembly of that state, proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States, in relation to the election of president and

vice president.

These several resolutions and the proposal accompanying the one last mentioned, deserve, as no doubt they will receive, the serious consideration of the legislature, as well on account of the high sources from which they come, as of the important and. delicate nature of the questions they invole.

We have the honor to remain,

With the highest respect. Your obedient servant,

Joseph Kent.

Also a letter from the governor of Vermont, enclosing the following resolutions: